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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 03801.P036  
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First Named Inventor Joseph SEAMON

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CATEGORIZING ITEMS IN BOTH ACTUAL AND VIRTUAL CATEGORIES

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### APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  **Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)**  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2.  **Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. (37 CFR 1.27)**
3.  **Specification (Total Pages 31)**  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference sequence listing, a table,  
or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  **Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 18)**
5.  **Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 5)**
  - a.  Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
  - b.  Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for Continuation/Divisional with Box 17 completed)
    - i.  **DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S)** Signed statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2)  
and 1.33(b).
    - c.  Unsigned.
6.  **Application Data Sheet. (37 CFR 1.76)**
7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
  - a.  Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b.  Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i.  CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii.  paper
  - c.  Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9.  **Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))**
10. \_\_\_\_\_ a. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Power of Attorney
11. \_\_\_\_\_ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. \_\_\_\_\_ a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- \_\_\_\_\_ b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. \_\_\_\_\_ **Preliminary Amendment**
14.  **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)**
15. \_\_\_\_\_ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. \_\_\_\_\_ **Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.**
17.  Other: Letter Regarding Limited Recognition

**18A. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:**

Continuation       Divisional       Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
Of Prior Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group Art Unit \_\_\_\_\_

(which is a  continuation/  divisional/  CIP of prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_,  
which is a  continuation/  divisional/  CIP of prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_) (List entire chain of priority)

**For CONTINUATION AND DIVISIONAL APPS only:** The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

**18B. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) for continuing application:**

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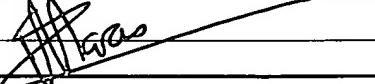
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## Complete if Known:

Application No. New application  
 Filing Date Herewith  
 First Named Inventor Joseph SEAMON  
 Group Art Unit New application  
 Examiner Name New application  
 Attorney Docket No. 03801.P036

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1.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity	Small Entity			
Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee	
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)	<b>Fee Description</b>
101	710	201	355	Utility application filing fee
106	320	206	160	Design application filing fee
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee
114	150	214	75	Provisional application filing fee

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 710.00**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims <u>29</u>	$- 20^{**} = 9$	X <u>18.00</u>	= <u>162.00</u>
Independent Claims <u>5</u>	$- 3^{**} = 2$	X <u>80.00</u>	= <u>160.00</u>
Multiple Dependent			= _____

\*\*Or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below.

**Large Entity Small Entity**

Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee	
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)	<b>Fee Description</b>
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$ 322.00

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	
105	130	205	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
127	50	227	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
139	130	139	Non-English specification
147	2,520	147	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
112	920*	112	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
113	1,840*	113	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
115	110	215	Extension for reply within first month
116	390	216	Extension for reply within second month
117	890	217	Extension for reply within third month
118	1,390	218	Extension for reply within fourth month
128	1,890	228	Extension for reply within fifth month
119	310	219	Notice of Appeal
120	310	220	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121	270	221	Request for oral hearing
138	1,510	138	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
140	110	240	Petition to revive – unavoidable
141	1,240	241	Petition to revive - unintentional
142	1,240	242	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
143	440	243	Design issue fee
144	600	244	Plant issue fee
122	130	122	Petitions to the Commissioner
123	130	123	Petitions related to provisional applications
126	180	126	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
581	40	581	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
146	710	246	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))
149	710	249	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))
179	710	279	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
169	900	169	Request for expedited examination of a design application

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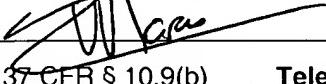
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Serial/Patent No.: New application Filing/Issue Date: Herewith  
Client: eBay, Inc.

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CATEGORIZING ITEMS IN BOTH ACTUAL  
AND VIRTUAL CATEGORIES

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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on the date stamped hereon:

Amendment/Response (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Appeal Brief (\_\_\_\_ pgs.) (in triplicate)  
 Application - Utility (\_\_\_\_ 31 pgs., with cover and abstract)  
 Application - Rule 1.53(b) Continuation (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Application - Rule 1.53(b) Divisional (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Application - Rule 1.53(b) CIP (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Application - Rule 1.53(d) CPA Transmittal (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Application - Design (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Application - PCT (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Application - Provisional (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Assignment and Cover Sheet  
 Certificate of Mailing  
 Declaration & POA (\_\_\_\_ 5 pgs.)  
 Disclosure Docs & Orig & Copy of Inventor Signed Letter (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
 Drawings: 18 # of sheets includes 11 figures  
 Other: Letter Regarding Limited Recognition

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 Notice of Appeal  
 Petition for Extension of Time  
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 Preliminary Amendment (\_\_\_\_ pgs.)  
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 Response to Notice of Missing Parts  
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